BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:))
CAMERON RUSSELL ADAMS, M.D.) Case No. 06-2012-220622
Physician's and Surgeon's) '
Certificate No. G 82192)
Respondent)))

DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted as the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs, State of California.

This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on April 3, 2019.

IT IS SO ORDERED March 4, 2019.

MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

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Panel A

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14	CAMERON ADAMS, M.D.	OAH No. 2015071340.1		
15	7135 Hollywood Boulevard, #1206 Los Angeles, CA 90046	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND		
16	Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G	DISCIPLINARY ORDER		
17	82192	· .		
18	Respondent.			
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20	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGR	EED by and between the parties to the above-		
21	entitled proceedings that the following matters are	•		
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23	1. Kimberly Kirchmeyer (Complainant) is the Executive Director of the Medical Board			
24	of California (Board). She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in			
25	this matter by Xavier Becerra, Attorney General of the State of California, by Cindy M. Lopez,			
26	Deputy Attorney General.			
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- 2. Respondent CAMERON ADAMS, M.D. (Respondent) is represented in this proceeding by attorney Nicholas D. Jurkowitz, Esq., whose address is: 1990 S. Bundy Drive, Suite 777, Los Angeles, CA 90025.
- 3. On or about March 13, 1996, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 82192 to Respondent. The Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 06-2012-220622, and will expire on February 29, 2020, unless renewed.

JURISDICTION

- 4. Accusation No. 06-2012-220622 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on September 1, 2016. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.
- 5. A copy of Accusation No. 06-2012-220622 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 6. Respondent has carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 06-2012-220622. Respondent has also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 7. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

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CULPABILITY

- 9. Respondent understands and agrees that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 06-2012-220622, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate.
- For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of 10. further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that Respondent hereby gives up his right to contest those charges.
- 11. Respondent agrees that his Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's imposition of discipline as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

CONTINGENCY

- 12. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Medical Board of California. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Medical Board of California may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or his counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

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DISCIPLINARY ORDER

It is hereby ordered that Physician and Surgeon's Certificate G 82192 issued to Respondent, will be publically reprimanded pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 2227, subdivision (a)(4). This Public Reprimand is issued in connection with Respondent suffering two misdemeanor convictions, as set forth in Accusation No. 06-2012-220622, as follows:

On November 14, 2011, Respondent pled nolo contendere to trespassing, a violation of Penal Code section 602.6. On that same date, a jury convicted him of misdemeanor vandalism, a violation of Penal Code section 594(A).

ACCEPTANCE

I have carefully read the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order and have fully discussed it with my attorney, Nicholas D. Jurkowitz, Esq. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Medical Board of California.

12/13/2018 CAMERON ADAMS, M.D.

Respondent

I have read and fully discussed with Respondent CAMERON ADAMS, M.D. the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and content.

DATED: 12-13-18

JURKÓWITZ, ESO.

Attorney for Respondent

ENDORSEMENT

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Medical Board of California.

Dated: 1.31.19

Respectfully submitted,

XAVIER BECERRA Attorney General of California E. A. JONES III Supervising Deputy Attorney General

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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Medical Board of California (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
 - 4. Section 2234 of the Code states:

"The Division of Medical Quality¹ shall take action against any licensee who is charged with unprofessional conduct. In addition to other provisions of this article, unprofessional conduct includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- "(a) Violating or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, assisting in or abetting the violation of, or conspiring to violate any provision of this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act].
 - "(b) Gross negligence.
- "(c) Repeated negligent acts. To be repeated, there must be two or more negligent acts or omissions. An initial negligent act or omission followed by a separate and distinct departure from the applicable standard of care shall constitute repeated negligent acts.
- "(1) An initial negligent diagnosis followed by an act or omission medically appropriate for that negligent diagnosis of the patient shall constitute a single negligent act.
- "(2) When the standard of care requires a change in the diagnosis, act, or omission that constitutes the negligent act described in paragraph (1), including, but not limited to, a reevaluation of the diagnosis or a change in treatment, and the licensee's conduct departs from the applicable standard of care, each departure constitutes a separate and distinct breach of the standard of care.
 - "(d) Incompetence.
- "(e) The commission of any act involving dishonesty or corruption which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon.
 - "(f) Any action or conduct which would have warranted the denial of a certificate."

¹ Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 2002, "Division of Medical Quality" or "Division" shall be deemed to refer to the Medical Board of California.

- 5. Section 2227 of the Code provides that a licensee who is found guilty under the Medical Practice Act may have his or her license revoked, suspended for a period not to exceed one year, placed on probation and required to pay the costs of probation monitoring, or such other action taken in relation to discipline as the Division deems proper.
 - 6. Section 2236 of the Code states:
- "(a) The conviction of any offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of this chapter [Chapter 5, the Medical Practice Act]. The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred.
- "(b) The district attorney, city attorney, or other prosecuting agency shall notify the Division of Medical Quality of the pendency of an action against a licensee charging a felony or misdemeanor immediately upon obtaining information that the defendant is a licensee. The notice shall identify the licensee and describe the crimes charged and the facts alleged. The prosecuting agency shall also notify the clerk of the court in which the action is pending that the defendant is a licensee, and the clerk shall record prominently in the file that the defendant holds a license as a physician and surgeon.
- "(c) The clerk of the court in which a licensee is convicted of a crime shall, within 48 hours after the conviction, transmit a certified copy of the record of conviction to the board. The division may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of a crime in order to fix the degree of discipline or to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a physician and surgeon.
- "(d) A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction after a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this section and Section 2236.1. The record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence of the fact that the conviction occurred."

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of a Crime- Trespass)

- 7. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section Business and Professions code section 2236 in that he was convicted of trespassing. The circumstances are as follows:
- 8. A criminal complaint was filed against Respondent in the case of *People of the State* of California vs. Cameron Russell Adams, Case No. 10848-01, for vandalism, a violation of Penal Code section 594(A).
- 9. On April 11, 2011, police officers were called to Fratelli's Café on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles to respond to a report of a problem with a customer. Earlier, Respondent had gone to the café and ordered a coke. He left and then returned a few moments later asking where his cell phone was. The owner, Mr. A., said they had not seen the phone. Respondent became enraged, grabbed a hooka pipe and threw it across the floor, shattering it. Mr. A. asked Respondent to leave and Respondent "got in his face" and said, "I'm not scared of you." Respondent then got in his car and left. Later it was learned that a few minutes after Respondent left the cafe, a young boy came up to Respondent and told him his cell phone was on the top of his car and fell to the ground. However, Respondent did not go in to the store owner to tell him he found his phone.
- 10. On November 14, 2011, the criminal complaint was amended to add a violation of Penal Code 602.6, trespassing. Respondent plead nolo contendere to trespassing and was placed on summary probation for three months.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Conviction of Crimes- Vandalism and Intentionally Setting off a Fire Alarm)

- 11. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section Business and Professions

 Code section 2236 in that he was convicted of vandalism and intentionally setting off a fire alarm.

 The circumstances are as follows:
- 12. A criminal complaint was filed against Respondent in the case of *People of the State* of California vs. Cameron Russell Adams, Case No. 1CA11280, for misdemeanor vandalism, a

violation of Penal Code section 594(A), and intentionally setting off a fire alarm, a violation of Los Angeles Municipal Code violation 57.20.

- 13. On April 15, 2011, police officers were called to the Hollywood Versailles Tower because of a tenant causing problems. For some unknown reason the tenant, later identified as Respondent, had set off the fire alarm. While the officers were questioning Respondent about the incident, a woman named G. C. told the officers that Respondent had vandalized her car.
- 14. The officers learned that the day before at about 2:00 p.m., G.C. arrived home with bags in her car. An attendant, Mr. E., helped her with her bags and took her car to the valet area. Mr. E. saw Respondent at the bottom of the ramp and motioned for him to go ahead and cross, but Respondent signaled for Mr. E. to go. As the valet drove up the ramp, Respondent used a set of keys to scratch the right side passenger door. When Mr. E. saw this he chased Respondent into the building.
- 15. This case went to a jury trial. On November 10, 2011, the jury found Respondent guilty of both counts. On November 14, 2011, he was placed on summary probation for 36 months, ordered to perform 60 days of community labor, pay restitution of \$2200, and his driver's license was suspended for a year.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Medical Board of California issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number G 82192, issued to Respondent.
- 2. Revoking, suspending or denying approval of Respondent's authority to supervise physician assistants, pursuant to section 3527 of the Code;
- 3. Ordering Respondent to pay the Medical Board of California, if placed on probation, the costs of probation monitoring;

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1	4. Taking such other and further ac	tion as deemed necessary and proper.	
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